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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7030

BILL NUMBER: SB 309

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 29, 2010

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Commission on Courts.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Head

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill changes the expiration date of the Commission on Courts from June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2015.

(The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Commission on Courts.)

Effective Date: June 29, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill extends the Commission on Courts for an additional four years. The Commission is a 13-member study committee composed of the Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court, eight legislators, one trial court judge, a county commissioner, a member of a county council, and a clerk of a circuit court.

The Commission operates under the policies governing study committees adopted by the Legislative Council. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees in the amount of \$9,500 per interim for committees with fewer than 16 members.

Background Information-

Duties of the Commission on Courts include:

- Reviewing and reporting on all requests for new courts or changes in jurisdiction of existing courts.
- Conducting research concerning requests for new courts or changes in jurisdiction of existing courts.

- Conducting public hearings throughout Indiana concerning requests for new courts or changes in jurisdiction of existing courts.
- Reviewing and reporting on any other matters relating to court administration that the Commission determines appropriate, including: court fees, court personnel, salaries, jury selection, and any other issues that relate to the operations of the courts

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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